

**RUSHVILLE CITY COMMON COUNCIL  
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2002  
6:00 P.M.**

The Rushville City Common Council met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bridges called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. with Bill Goins, Darrin McGowan, Brian Sheehan, John Byrne and Mike Pavey answering roll call. Also present were Jan Voiles, *Rushville Republican*, Scott Murray, WKWH and City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

**MINUTES \* \* \***

Minutes of the February 5, 2001 meeting were presented for approval. Pavey made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. McGowan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Mayor Bridges asked for a moment of silence in memory and respect of the passing of Fred Pike.

**MAYOR'S REPORT \* \* \***

Bridges reported as follows:

- Met with the Department of Commerce, Administrative Resources Association, and M D Wessler on the Northeast Revitalization Project. The revised application was much better, but the bad news was there were approximately 89 applicants, therefore, it will be very competitive. The public participation will be very important at the next public hearing, which will be scheduled at one of the March Council meetings;
- There will be a Mayor's Prayer Breakfast on March 2 at 7:30 a.m., at Winkerby's;
- The Fayette-Rush NAACP will host a Freedom Fund Banquet on February 23 at the Elks Club;
- Reported on the Board of Works meeting – Accept Fire Extinguisher quote from Indiana Fire Control Group, tabled the bid on the packer for review, accepted the resignation of Jeff Turner and gave permission for Bennett to advertise for a new Sanitation employee;

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS \* \* \***

Police - Chief Fudge reported that the new cars were picked up today from Renner Motors, Inc. Fudge stated that the Board of Works approved the offer from Renner Motors to purchase 3, 1999 Crown Vics and 1, 1999 Ford Taurus for the total price of \$26,550.00

Fudge told Council that the Board of Works was asked to consider a change in the Police and Fire personnel probationary pay. At the present time they are being paid the probationary pay for a period of one year. After the first ninety days that they should be paid the full base salary. The Board tabled the matter until the next meeting.

Fudge said they will have approximately 17 applicants taking the agility test for the patrolman position.

Received a complaint of a parking problem in the 600 block of 9<sup>th</sup> Street and asked the committee to review it for further action.

Fire – Chief Clark informed the Board that the water tank on engine one is being replaced and should be completed in 3 or 4 weeks.

**CITIZEN'S CONCERNS \* \* \***

None.

**Unfinished Business \* \* \***

**Request for Rezone West 1<sup>st</sup> Street** – Lee Schroeder was present concerning the rezoning of the 600 block of West 1<sup>st</sup> Street and the 600 block of Water Street. Sheehan stated that there are about 4 houses that are affected. Sheehan suggested that since there are only 4 houses involved that the residents themselves simply go before the Area Plan and asked to be rezoned commercial.

**Medical Insurance** – After lengthy discussion on the prospective medical insurance proposals, Byrne made a motion to renew our medical insurance with Clarendon with the only change being to raise the deductible to \$250.00, for a total monthly premium of \$43,652.54. Goins seconded the motion. Motion carried, with Councilmen Pavey and Sheehan opposing the motion.

**NEW BUSINESS \* \* \***

**Revision of Parking Ordinance** – Pavey made a motion to approve Ordinance 2002-1 concerning the parking to include the median strip between the curb and sidewalk. Sheehan seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**Claims** – Goins made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Pavey seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before Council, Goins made a motion to adjourn. Byrne seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

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ROBERT M. BRIDGES, MAYOR

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WILLIAM R. GOINS, MEMBER

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DARRIN L. MCGOWAN, MEMBER

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BRIAN J. SHEEHAN, MEMBER

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JOHN M. BYRNE, MEMBER

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MICHAEL P. PAVEY, MEMBER

ATTEST:

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ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER